COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

| APPROVAL OF THE |) |
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| INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT |) |
| NEGOTIATED BY BELLSOUTH |) |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND |) CASE NO. 98-511 |
| BALLARD RURAL TELEPHONE |) |
| COOPERATIVE PURSUANT TO |) |
| SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE |) |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996 |) |
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ORDER

On September 28, 1998, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative ("Ballard") submitted to the Commission their negotiated agreement for the provision of Calling Name Delivery Services by BellSouth. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("1996 Act"), 47 U.S.C. Sections 251 and 252. Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act requires the parties to an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation to submit the agreement for approval to the Commission.

The Commission has reviewed the agreement and finds that no portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of this agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Ballard is approved.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 21st day of December, 1998.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director